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Roadmap
Oh hey, the universal community events calendar is finally here (also 10+ stories about Forest Grove).



Chas Hundley 13 Jun 2025 — 9 min read



June 13, Volume 1, issue #19.

Today, we have 254 free email newsletter subscribers and 49 paid email subscribers.

Good afternoon, Forest Grove! This is our nineteenth email newsletter.

Today's big news: Our live event calendar is now live. There's more work to be done - I'm going to build filters where you can sort by live music, garage sales, kid-friendly events, sports, and city government meetings - but the basic thingy is UP and it is packed. This weekend, you can take your pick of live music, garage sales, theatre, the Strawberry Festival and so much more.

Business owners, event venues, nonprofits and organizations that throw events: You are going to benefit from this calendar. Open it up, and click the calendar icon to submit your own events.

We're also looking for sponsors to help us maintain the calendar. It's the single largest investment we've made since starting this adventure. It costs more than my car, a 2013 Fiat 500. We have business and individual sponsor levels from \$50 to \$2500.

-Chas Hundley, founder

What's in this newsletter?

Inside this newsletter:

- The Growler Garage has changed hands, and another Forest Grove restaurant is in the newsletter, too
- ♦♦ A protest is planned for the flagpole on Saturday
- ����� Local fire crews headed to the Gorge to fight the Rowena Fire

And a ton more.

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Don't have a <u>paid subscription yet</u>? Reply to this email and I'll send you a coupon for half off! Every subscriber gets us closer to our goal: Hiring a full-time journalist.

This week's email newsletter is not sponsored.

As a reminder, News in the Grove is in prelaunch. We don't have staff or stable funding yet, which means our publishing schedule is irregular and limited, but will grow as our capacity builds.

On to the Forest Grove news.

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Rep. Bonamici to host Washington County Town Hall in Hillsboro June 17

Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici will host a Washington County Town Hall on Tuesday, June 17 at 6 p.m. at the Raymond Arthur Brown

Middle School gym in Hillsboro.



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News in the Grove brings in summer intern Jordan Donegan

Starting in July, Jordan Donegan, a Portland native and journalism student out of Fordham University will be joining News in the Grove to hone her skills as a journalist before her return to New York in the fall.



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Forest Grove Aquatic Center reopens

Otter pops could be in store for those who dive in to the first open swim of the season on Monday evening.



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Oregon got a massive federal recovery grant after 2020 wildfires. Most of the money remains unspent

A spokeswoman for Oregon Housing and Community Services said a low risk tolerance and inexperience in major disaster recovery by the agency has slowed the rollout of federal aid following the 2020 Labor Day wildfires.



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Nigel Jaquiss

OLCC Ratifies Bottle Bill Changes

The OLCC ratified changes to the Bottle Bill enacted by SB 992, which Gov. Kotek signed into law last week. Most changes apply only to Portland. Locally, retailers must accept returns only from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. On July 1, saké, canned wine, mead & some cider will have a 10...



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Forest Grove events

What's going on this week?

Friday | June 13, 2025

- OMD | Fri Jun 13, 2025 | *Moved to McMenamins Grand Lodge Grand Lodge Concerts
- Forest Grove Cruise-In Cornelius Walmart
- Live Music at Waltz featuring Wes Youssi & the County Champs Waltz Brewing
- Live Music at the Garage Door The Jack Maybe Project Garage Door @ McMenamins
- Arsenic and Old Lace Theatre in the Grove
- Food Truck Fridays at Tualatin Estate Vineyard Tualatin Estate Vineyard

Saturday | June 14, 2025

- Garage Sale Double garage B 37th Ave
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- Garage Sale 15th and Cedar 15th and Cedar
- <u>Picasso's Art & Antiques Estate Sale</u> Picasso's Art & Antiques
- Outdoor focused garage sale 15th and Crescent
- Garage sale Man's garage sale 15th and Cedar
- Forest Grove GardenWalk Neighborhood Open Gardens
- <u>Tualatin Estate Vineyard Hike</u> Tualatin Estate Vineyard
- Strawberry Festival Downtown Gales Creek
- Summer Reading Kick-off Rogers Room
- Friends of Historic Forest Grove Museum & Library Open Old Train Station
- No Kings Protest Giant Flagpole
- Live Music Acoustic Guitar by David Tutmark Zesti Carts
- Continuation within our community
- Music at the Garage Door Sonny Hess Garage Door @ McMenamins Grand Lodge
- Arsenic and Old Lace Theatre in the Grove

Sunday | June 15, 2025

- Forest Grove GardenWalk Neighborhood Open Gardens
- Arsenic and Old Lace Theatre in the Grove

Monday | June 16, 2025

- <u>Giggles! Wiggles! Stories!</u> Rogers Room
- June Magnet Monday Networking

Tuesday | June 17, 2025

- <u>Lunch with Meals on Wheels People @FGSCC</u> Where
- Free ESL Class (Intermediate Level) | Clase de inglés gratis (Nivel intermedio) Rogers Room

• Trivia @ Waltz — Waltz Brewing

Wednesday | June 18, 2025

- Parks and Recreation Commission
- Friends of Historic Forest Grove Museum & Library Open Old Train Station
- <u>Juneteenth Flag Raising Ceremony</u> Intersection of College Way & 21st Ave
- Forest Grove Farmers Market Main Street
- <u>Line Dance Lesson (High Intermediate)</u> Bullets, Burgers and Brews
- Karaoke Night at Zesti Carts Zesti Carts

Thursday | June 19, 2025

- <u>Lunch with Meals on Wheels People @FGSCC</u> Where
- Public Arts Commission
- Bluegrass Jam Session @ Waltz Waltz Brewing
- <u>Line Dancing Lessons with Dance Your Boots Off at Zesti</u> Zesti Carts
- Live Music at the Garage Door Chris Couch Garage Door @ McMenamins Grand Lodge

Around town & coming up

Things that didn't quite make it to a full story and upcoming events beyond this week. Disappointed? Us too. <u>Get a subscription so we can hire a full-time Forest Grove journalist!</u>

Forest Grove Forward survey

The Forest Grove Forward Survey it out, and open for responses until June 22. Check it out here. The survey will inform a roadmap that will guide the city until at least 2040.

Gala in the Grove

Gala in the Grove, a fundraiser for Theatre in the Grove, is happening June 21 and you need to buy tickets before June 14 (that means buy them now) if you wish to attend. More information here.

That's all for now, folks!

Thanks for reading.

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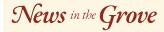
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